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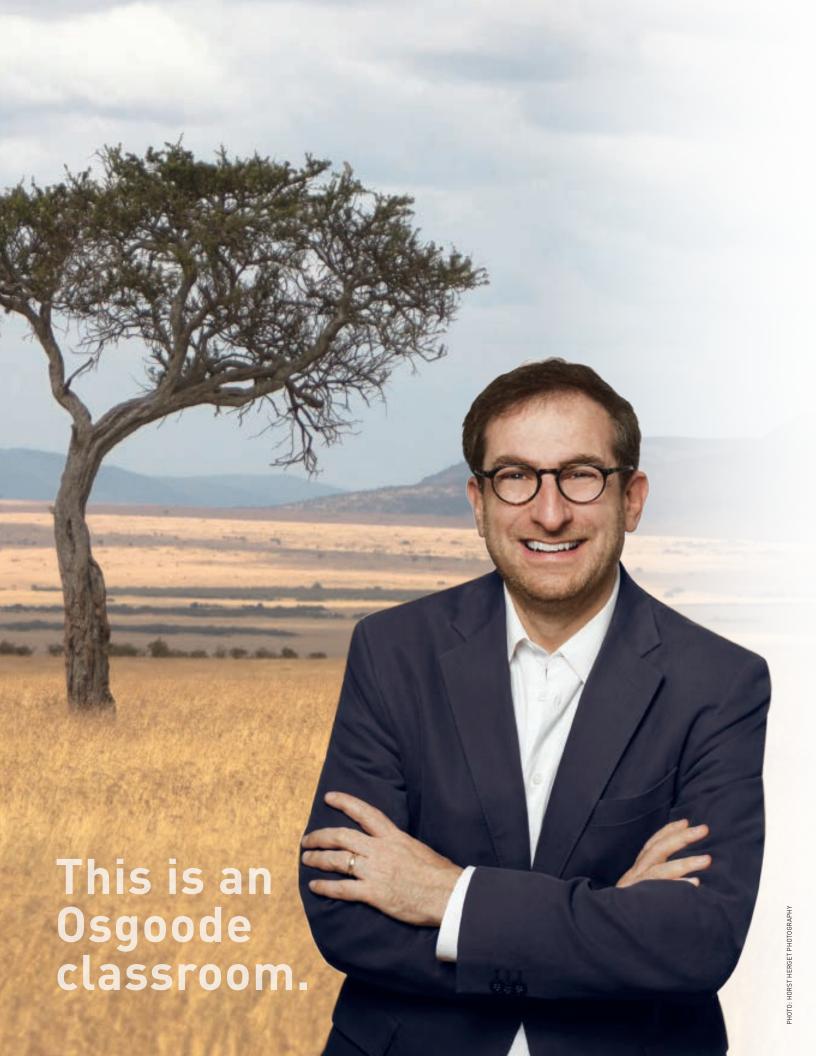
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# Message from the Dean

Experiential learning has been a cornerstone of legal education at Osgoode for more than 40 years, since the establishment of Parkdale Community Legal Services and the Community and Legal Aid Services Program (CLASP). Whether in our backyard, across Toronto or around the world, Osgoode students have found ways to make a positive difference through law and to gain a better legal education as a result. So, it should come as no surprise that in 2012, Osgoode became the first law school in Canada to establish a new upper-year curriculum which features a requirement that every Osgoode student participate in an experiential program before graduation.

Osgoode already boasts more clinical and intensive programs than any other school in the country. Adding new and innovative experiential programs is a key aspect of Osgoode's 2011-16 Strategic Plan, appropriately titled "Experience Osgoode." In the fall of 2012, on the United Nations (UN's) International Day of Persons with Disabilities, Osgoode's Faculty Council approved the new Disability Rights Intensive Program in conjunction with ARCH Disability Law Centre. Osgoode has also launched a new experiential research course in collaboration with the Centre for Addiction and Mental Health (CAMH).

Beyond the curriculum, Osgoode continues to work with the legal community on expanding opportunities for experiential learning through internships and fellowships. In January, Osgoode announced a new business law summer internship program offered through the Hennick Centre for Business and Law, and funded through a generous donation by McCarthy Tétrault.

This issue of *Continuum* focuses on different perspectives on experiential education at Osgoode. We hope you will continue to remain engaged with Osgoode and support the many initiatives on the go – we welcome your comments, suggestions and ideas.

I hope you enjoy this issue of Continuum.

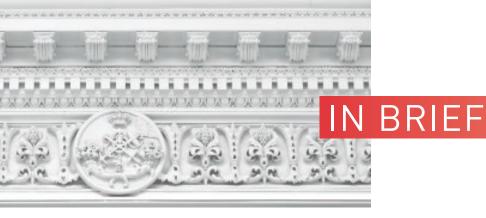
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Lorne Sossin '92 Dean

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process of gaining knowledge or skills through action, participation and reflection; hands-on learning; learning by doing.



# CPD That's Good for a Laugh

Continuing professional development (CPD) for lawyers isn't exactly a laughing matter. But, it was last November when New York City lawyer and improv comedian Tommy Galan spent a day at Osgoode Professional Development (OPD) conducting two hilarious "Improv(ed) Legal Skills" improvisation workshops.

Picture a group of normally seriousminded and business-like people standing in a circle trying to mimic each other's gestures and sounds, pretending to throw and catch an imaginary red ball, or ranting about their pet peeve until told to stop, and you'll have an idea of what playful, silly and fun workshops these were.

A total of 60 people – 95 percent lawyers – attended the sold-out sessions, which qualified for 3.5 CPD hours as part of the Law Society of Upper Canada's requirement that lawyers and paralegals complete 12 hours of professional development each year.

Galan, an accomplished lawyer, professional speaker, performer

and Director of Corporate Programming at The Peoples Improv Theater in New York City. where he teaches the benefits of improv to lawyers, executives and business teams. led the workshop participants in classic improv exercises and drills to help them hone their skills as lawyers.

Every lawyer, Galan says, needs to be able to actively listen, stay in the moment and deal with the unexpected. Lawyers must also be able to embrace risk, understand the importance of body language and know how to develop rapport with fellow lawyers, jurors, clients, judges and other stakeholders. All of these skills are sharpened through the study of improvisation, says Galan, who defines sharpened as "anything that's not scripted."

"Improv relies on effective communication, listening skills and compassion, along with the skills of performance, presentation, public speaking and acceptance" Galan says. "Honing improv skills can benefit lawyers in any area of practice by making them better able to think quickly on their feet, answer questions on the fly and speak with greater confidence and poise."

Galan has delivered his workshop, which is an accredited Continuing Legal Education (CLE) course in New York State, to the NYC Law Department, the American Bar Association, Hofstra Law School and hundreds of lawyers in both the private and public sectors. Galan will be coming back to OPD in the future. Contact Heather Gore Liddell at hgore@osgoode.yorku.ca for more information on how to register or how to create an in-house or custom program.



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# **NEW FELLOWSHIPS BRING** WEALTH OF TALENT TO OSGOODE







Fay Faraday



Joseph Arvay

Two new Osgoode fellowships have brought four exceptional lawyers to the Law School for the 2012-13 academic year.

Raj Anand, a partner at WeirFoulds LLP in Toronto, Joseph Arvay, Q.C. of Arvay Finlay Barristers in Vancouver, and Fay Faraday '93, a sole practitioner in Toronto, are the three inaugural recipients of the McMurtry Visiting Clinical Fellowship.

Pooja Parmar, who recently completed doctoral studies at the University of British Columbia Faculty of Law, is the inaugural holder of the Osgoode Catalyst Fellowship.

"The McMurtry Fellows are playing a vital role in helping to connect our students, faculty and staff with broader practice networks, insights and expertise," says Dean Lorne Sossin. "They are helping to build bridges between the Law School and the community to advance experiential education."

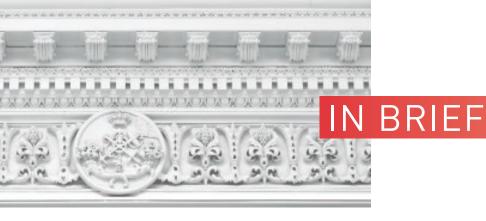
Arvay spent the month of September at Osgoode, delivered the James Lewtas Lecture on Sept. 19, 2012, to an overflow crowd, and advised faculty and staff on the development and implementation of clinical programs.

Anand is teaching an upper-year seminar on Legal Ethics this winter and Faraday is teaching a first-year class called Ethical Lawyering in a Global Community. She also taught an upperyear seminar in the fall on Discrimination and the Law.

The McMurtry Fellowship honours Osgoode alumnus R. Roy McMurtry '58, '91(LLD), former Attorney General and Chief Justice of Ontario, and current Chancellor of York University.

As for the Osgoode Catalyst Fellowship, it is "designed to bring to Osgoode emerging scholars who have a demonstrated interest in a career in law teaching, and to support and mentor scholars who will enhance the diversity of the profession," says Sossin.

While at Osgoode, Parmar has presented a faculty seminar with the aim of preparing a major article for publication, taught a course on law and development, and pursued an active affiliation with one of the Law School's research centres.



# Supreme Court Judge Visits Osgoode

The Honourable Madam Justice Andromache Karakatsanis '80 (pictured, centre) of the Supreme Court of Canada visited Osgoode in January and spoke to students in the poverty law intensive program at Parkdale Community Legal Services about her days as a student in the program. In the picture below, she is seated beside Osgoode Professor Janet Mosher, Academic Director at Parkdale.



Karakatsanis told the students that a just rule of law "is what makes Canada the envy of the world" and must be safeguarded.

It was alumna Karakatsanis' first time back to the law school since being appointed to the country's highest bench in 2011. In addition to an hour-long chat with the Parkdale students, the day's activities also included the unveiling of a plaque donated by the Osgoode student chapter of the Hellenic Canadian Lawyers' Association; a roundtable discussion about research with faculty and graduate students; and a plenary address in the afternoon.



### **BENCH STRENGTH**

Two new appointments to the Ontario Court of Appeal have brought the total number of Osgoode alumni on the court to 13. While Justice James MacPherson did not actually graduate from Osgoode, he did serve as Dean from 1988 to 1993, so we consider him an honorary alum.

Left to right: The Honourable Warren Winkler '62, '64 (LLM), Chief Justice of Ontario; The Honourable Karen Weiler '67; The Honourable Alexandra Hoy '78; The Honourable Susan Lang '74; The Honourable Marc Rosenberg '74; The Honourable Sarah Pepall '83 (LLM); The Honourable Michael Tulloch '89; The Honourable Paul Roleau '84 (LLM); The Honourable Dennis O'Connor '64, Associate Chief Justice of Ontario; The Honourable James MacPherson; The Honourable Harry La Forme '77; The Honourable Russell Juriansz '72; and The Honourable Peter Lauwers '83 (LLM).

Karakatsanis, who participated in the Parkdale program when she was an Osgoode student, told a room full of current Parkdale students that working in the Queen Street West clinic was "one of the most interesting and satisfying experiences" of her law education.

For someone who had led "a happy and sheltered life", finding herself in a poverty law setting providing legal services for marginalized individuals was an eye-opener. She recalled meeting people in crisis, such as the family "who had had their second or third baby taken away" and the woman who phoned to say she had taken an overdose of pills. Karakatsanis was able to keep the woman on the phone until the medics arrived, who reported that she would be okay.

Karakatsanis said she learned a great deal during her time at Parkdale, including the importance of getting past appearances and the superficial, having empathy for people who face challenges and being part of a community that comes together to do what it thinks is right.

"Everyone deserves strong representation," said Karakatsanis, who worked in private practice for several years, then worked at the Ontario Public Service for 15 years where she rose to become the province's senior public servant as secretary of the Cabinet and clerk of the Executive Council. She was appointed a judge of the Ontario Superior Court of Justice in 2002, the Court of Appeal in 2010 and the Supreme Court of Canada in 2011.

It was in a plenary address to students in Osgoode's Ethical Lawyering in a Global Community course, which Karakatsanis delivered mostly in English but also in French, that she described the law as "an ancient and noble profession" and said that Canada's just rule of law must be safeguarded.

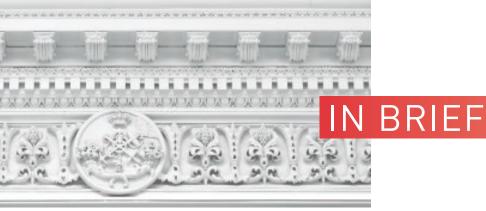
"As lawyers, you will play a critical role in shaping our society and maintaining our way of life as Canadians," she told the students.

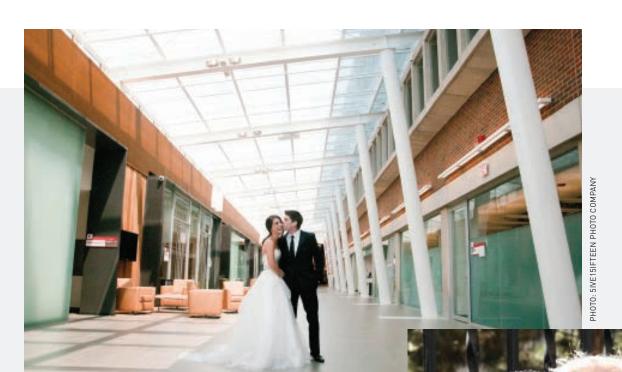


# PAYING TRIBUTE TO LINCOLN ALEXANDER '53

On Feb. 11, Osgoode's Black Law Students' Association (BLSA) presented The Honourable Michael Tulloch '89 with the inaugural The Honourable Lincoln Alexander '53 Award at their annual Black History Month celebration. They created the award to pay tribute to the pioneering efforts of Alexander, the first Black member of Canada's Parliament and the 24th Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario, who passed away in 2012. They also recognized the leadership and contributions of other Osgoode alumni, including retired judge George Carter '48; the late Leonard Braithwaite '58, who was the first Black Canadian to be elected to the Ontario Legislature; and Margarett Best '95, MPP Scarborough-Guildwood.

Left to right: Camille Dunbar '13, The Honourable Michael Tulloch '89 and Oyinkan Akinyele '13.





The Honourable Madam Justice Sandra Chapnik '76 of the Ontario Superior Court of Justice and past President of the Osgoode Alumni Association and Dr. Jerry Chapnik celebrated 50 years of wedded bliss on June 23, 2012. This past summer, Naomi Shawn '12 and her husband Peter Kuretzky began their marriage journey together. Osgoode figured prominently in both of those significant milestones. The Chapniks asked that, in lieu of gifts, family and friends make donations to the Sandra and Jerry Chapnik Bursary, and Naomi and Peter used the new Gowlings Hall as the backdrop for their wedding photos.

# **New McCarthy Tétrault Business Law Internship**

"When Dean Sossin described Osgoode's focus on experiential learning, I knew this was exactly the kind of innovative programming our firm would want to support," says Marc-André Blanchard, Chair and Chief Executive Officer of McCarthy Tétrault LLP. "We are now involved and I'm delighted."

The firm's generous gift created the McCarthy Tétrault LLP Business Law Internship, which will place up to five students each year with a for-profit or not-for-profit organization for 10 weeks starting this summer. To qualify for the practicum, students must be in or have just completed the first-year

JD program, and must demonstrate an interest in business and law, whether through enrolment in the JD/MBA program, law school course work, prior postsecondary course of study, or work or volunteer experience.

"To create these extraordinary learning opportunities, we need partners who understand and share our belief that hands-on learning provides a more well-rounded education," explains Sossin. "Internships do not only that, but they also give students financial resources to fund their legal education. We are truly grateful to McCarthy Tétrault LLP for the support and commitment it has shown to Osgoode and the ongoing development of our students."



# EXPERIENCE OSGOODE

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"It was by far one of the best experiences I've had in law school. but also one of the most difficult."

- student Naveen Hassan '14



Naveen Hassan '14 sat in a maximum-security jail cell in Kampala, Uganda, watching while her client pulled up his shirt to show his scars, still healing from the beating he received just prior to his arrest, at the hands of the country's military.

Sometime in that moment, the Osgoode student figured out the kind of lawyer she didn't want to be.

Hassan was in the East African country for 11 weeks last summer as part of an externship program with International Legal Partnership (ILP), a non-profit student-run international legal assistance clinic based at Osgoode and committed to providing global policy, legal regulatory and research assistance in low-income countries. Working for the Foundation for Human Rights Initiative, she was assigned to help 53 men arrested in February in north Uganda on suspicion of treason and arbitrarily detained in prison.

"I don't even know what I expected," says Hassan, now in her second- year of the JD program at Osgoode and the ILP Student Executive Director. "I don't think I was actually nervous. In fact, standing in the prison, I felt the safest that I had living in Uganda. It was very bizarre. I had come to trust the prisoners very much. I knew there was nothing to worry about."

Her safety may never have been in question, but Hassan quickly learned that her goal of gaining the men their freedom wasn't likely to happen any time soon. In Uganda, treason is a capital offence heard by only the highest court. Even though the men had a constitutional right to bail in July, they were remanded in custody when the prosecution said they needed longer to prepare the case. Hassan's dream of freedom for her clients evaporated and she began to think instead about what she could do to help make their ordeal easier.

"It was by far one of the best experiences I've had in law school, but also one of the most difficult,' she admits. "It really took a toll on me. I came to law school very interested in international human rights law. Now, I don't know. I don't know if I could dedicate my entire career to that practice."

This fall, Osgoode became the first and only Canadian law school to also include experiential education as a degree requirement.

# Theory, practice and reflection

Confronting tough questions about practice, identity, even ethics, are exactly what Dean Lorne Sossin hopes will result when students step outside the classroom and outside their comfort zone. Remembering his own days as an Osgoode student volunteering with the Community and Legal Aid Services Program (CLASP) in the 1980s, he says doctrine and theory are important building blocks for a career in law, but they aren't the only model of learning law schools should employ.

"When you apply those theories, see how they can amount to a solution and then return to reflect on those experiences, that's when your eyes are really opened." Sossin strongly believes that every student should learn through experience.

Last year, Osgoode's Faculty Council approved a new Strategic Plan that highlights, among many goals, the importance of experiential learning and community engagement. Aptly called "Experience Osgoode", the plan set the stage for another Canadian law school first. In 2006, Osgoode broke legal education ground in introducing a comprehensive public interest graduation requirement that challenges every JD student to complete 40 hours of unpaid, lawrelated public interest work. This fall, Osgoode became the first and only Canadian law school to also include experiential education as a degree requirement.

Starting with the Class of 2015, every JD student must complete a praxicum course that combines the theory of law with the practice of law and reflection. The new graduation requirement ensures that all Osgoode JD recipients experience law in action.

To support the new curriculum, Osgoode launched Canada's first Office of Experiential Education, led by Kimberley Bonnar '09, who, as a student, helped to establish Osgoode's pioneering Mediation Intensive Clinical Program. The office is home base for Osgoode's growing array of experiential education opportunities, from clinics and intensive programs to the Osgoode Public Interest Requirement, Pro Bono Students Canada and Law in Action Within Schools (LAWS).

"Learning the theory of law is incredibly important, but it's hard to appreciate the theory in context unless you experience it," says Bonnar. Research shows that students learn best when they apply what they learn; Bonnar and Sossin both believe those lessons jump a few notches further when students then take the time to reflect on what they learned.

# STUDENT STORIES

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Second-year Osgoode JD student Tala Khoury '14 was in Kosovo in the summer of 2012 working for the Kosovo Law Centre.

Second-year Osgoode JD students Njeri Damali Campbell '14 (left) and Kisha Munroe '14 worked during the summer of 2012 with lawyers at the Human Rights Legal Support Centre.



Learning through experience (clockwise from top right): Professor Faisal Bhabha, student Ashley Stacey '13, student Naveen Hassan' 14, and Kimberley Bonnar '09, Manager, Experiential Education and Career Development.

"A reflective lawyer is how you improve in the practice of law," explains Bonnar. "You don't get better if you don't take the time to think about how or why things went well."

# What does it mean to be a lawyer?

Osgoode's experiential learning opportunities all take into account the need for introspection. ILP fellows like Naveen Hassan, for example, are required to register in a course called Law and Social Change: Community Action across Borders. Taught by Professor Faisal Bhabha, the class encourages students to share their experiences and confront questions of what it means to be a lawyer, think like a lawyer and act like a lawyer.

Ashley Stacey asked these same questions of herself during Osgoode's Intensive Program in Aboriginal Lands, Resources and Governments. During a student placement last year in Gowlings' Aboriginal law group, she was part of the team that was negotiating a modern treaty settlement with the government.

"I got to meet the client and hear firsthand what they felt were the real injustices with respect to their treaty claim," she says. "I learned the Aboriginal law client isn't always the individual standing before you. It can be an entire community. As a community, our client was accountable to its members and it was important for us to gain the entire community's trust. It was a magical moment."

Stacey learned enough to like what she saw. She returned to Gowlings last summer and has since accepted an articling position to begin following graduation this spring.

"Experiential education is all about lawyer identity formation," explains Bhabha. "It not only affirms the value of the experience, it affirms the stuff we used to call baggage. Law school used to mean stripping yourself of all that personal baggage and becoming something entirely different. But we all come to law school as human



PHOTO: RON MONTES '15

beings with deeply personal reasons for choosing this journey. There's value in integrating personal perspectives with legal education. You need to find your own way to be a lawyer."



Third-year Osgoode JD student Jon O'Kane '13 received an Ian Scott Public Interest Fellowship, which allowed him to work as a legal research intern for the Foundation for Human Rights Initiative (FHRI) in Kampala, Uganda.



Alla Zhura '13, a third-year JD student, participated in the Osgoode Business Clinic, a two-semester intensive program that involves clinical case work under the supervision of practitioners from Stikeman Elliott LLP.

There are other benefits, too. Bhabha is using the classroom discussions as the platform for a more detailed study of experiential learning in the context of globalization.

As more law students travel the world, the traditional concept of North American legal education is changing. Bhabha is asking what this means for legal education – to have Canadian-trained lawyers supervised by foreign lawyers and delivering foreign justice.

He hopes his research will both provide a factual context for Osgoode's programming and help to shape new national standards for learning abroad.

# The best way to learn about law

Sarah McCoubrey, for one, is keen to learn more about Bhabha's discoveries. The executive director of Ontario Justice Education Network (OJEN) is one of more than 250 community partners who are helping to make experiential learning possible at Osgoode. Every year, as many

as 45 Osgoode students volunteer at OJEN to teach law and develop classroom resources for Ontario high schools, often in collaboration with judges and lawyers. They also take part in specialized projects like the development of legal resources for non-English speaking residents.

Osgoode students have typically given their time toward fulfillment of their public interest requirement; now they're knocking on McCoubrey's door for help completing their praxicum requirement.

"They're not just learning about law here; they're developing important skills and attitudes," she says. "We're all increasingly aware that being a good lawyer involves more than an encyclopedic knowledge of the law."

Recently, Osgoode volunteers helped a group of high school students prepare for a mock trial. Explains McCoubrey: "They learned how confusing and intimidating legal terminology and legal process can be to the public. It's an important perspective that changes how they approach practice: they're more patient and understanding with clients. It's a great starting point for a career."

Sossin agrees. "Theory, practice, reflection – this is a rich, high-quality, enduring legal education. It's why Osgoode took this plunge. We think it's the best way to learn about law. Producing better lawyers is a by-product."

# "I would do it again in a heartbeat"

In the latter part of her three months in Kampala, Naveen Hassan turned her attention to the small things. She got one prisoner his medication and completed bail applications for some of the more elderly and infirm. She made time to talk to as many of the prisoners as possible, hearing their stories and learning more about the Ugandan justice system along the way.

Shortly after returning to Canada in August, Hassan learned that the court files for the men's treason case had gone missing. The trial was delayed even further and the 53 men continued to languish in prison. In October, she received the first shred of good news: 23 had been released. At press time, just months shy of the first anniversary of their arrests, the 30 remaining prisoners were still behind bars, awaiting trial.



Louise LaFleur '14, a second-year JD student at Osgoode, participated in the lan Scott Public Interest Internship Program during the summer of 2012 in Prince George, B.C.

Third-year Osgoode JD student Jerry Kordonis '13 volunteered in the fall of 2012 at the Community Living Ontario office on Duncan Mill Road.



Third-year
Osgoode JD
student Kevin
Rawluk '13
participated in
the Innocence
Project at
Osgoode in his
second year.



"Learning the theory of law is incredibly important, but it's hard to appreciate the theory in context unless you experience it."

"It was and still is very difficult," Hassan admits, "but what a great learning experience! I got to see the workings of the Ugandan justice system firsthand and got real client interactions by working closely with prisoners. I don't think it's an experience I'll get anywhere else."

Applauding Osgoode's move to formalize experiential learning, she fears that other law students who don't have those kinds of experiences are at a huge disadvantage. "The human aspect of law is missing in the classroom."

Thinking ahead to next summer, Hassan is already planning her next hands-on learning experience and, as ILP's Student Executive Director she's working hard to make sure experiential learning opportunities are available to as many Osgoode students as possible.

"It's giving me a fresh perspective on everything," she exclaims. "I would do it again in a heartbeat."

Christine Ward is a freelance writer who lives in Kingston, Ont., and is a frequent contributor to Continuum.

# **Experience Osgoode Opportunities**

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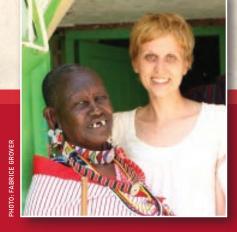
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Second-year JD student Jesse Schmidt '14 works in the Community and Legal Aid Services Program (CLASP) Clinic at Osgoode in the Administrative Law Division.

Third-year Osgoode
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Askew '13 worked with
the Center for Minority
Rights Development
(CEMIRIDE) in Nairobi,
Kenya, during the winter
semester of 2012.

# THE TOP

"There's no job like the top job" Moya Greene '78, former Chief Executive Officer of Canada Post and now CEO of London's Royal Mail, attested to a group of students before being presented with the 2012 Hennick Medal for Career Achievement. The event caused us to reflect on the awesome accomplishments in the business world of so many of our women graduates.

We asked Laura Formusa '78, recently retired President and CEO of Hydro One Inc.; Marianne Harris JD/MBA '83, Managing Director and President, Corporate and Investment Banking, Merrill Lynch Canada, Inc., and Kathleen (Katie) Taylor JD/MBA '84, former President and CEO of Four Seasons Hotels and Resorts, for their thoughts on maneuvering the business environment, diversity in the workplace, inspiring trust, leading with integrity, and dealing with difficult issues. We also asked them to comment on what it takes to succeed. Not surprisingly, each of them has found an education in law to be an essential foundation for their careers, improving their ability to communicate, to think, to analyze – and to rise to the top.

by Virginia Corner



# What has been your greatest professional success?

FORMUSA >> Becoming Hydro One's CEO was just an unbelievable experience for me, primarily because I was able to rebuild company pride. We had come through a difficult period and employees weren't feeling too good about themselves and the company, but now I think there's a lot of pride in what we do. I feel, professionally, that this is a tremendous achievement.

HARRIS >> My greatest professional success has been working on a global basis. In this kind of environment, the clients are global, our business is global, so you have to expand your horizons and work with all kinds of people. Every day I'm either on the phone or meeting with my own colleagues who are from Asia and Europe, but also with clients who are everywhere in the world.

TAYLOR >> In my almost 15 years as a leader at Four Seasons – first as a Worldwide President, then as Chief Operating Officer and ultimately as CEO – I've been very fortunate to have had many great milestones in my career. While they were all very important, they were in many

ways the building blocks to eventually taking over the top job. Obviously, with great opportunity comes great responsibility and accountability, but there's a huge reward; you get to see the results of your hard work directly in action. There's no question that having your hand on the joystick of a business, so to speak, is both exhilarating and extremely challenging.

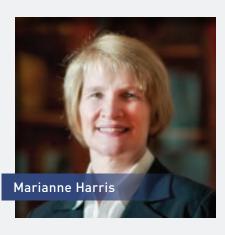
# What has been your greatest personal triumph?

FORMUSA >> Becoming a lawyer was very important to me, personally, and to my family. I come from a family of immigrants. They were so proud. I remember, on graduation day, we were out baking in the sun at Osgoode as we received our diplomas and it was just a wonderful moment for my parents to see me graduate as a lawyer.

**HARRIS** >> Raising my two sons. The 19-year-old is in second year at Western and the 17-year-old is in Grade 12.

TAYLOR >> Greatest personal triumph, no question, is my family. Neil and I met when I was in my early 30s. We had our son very quickly, followed by our daughter. The challenge of figuring out how to be successful in a truly global business, while at the same time being successful as a wife and mother, was not a simple thing.







### How did you work your way to the top? Did you have a grand plan?

FORMUSA >> I did not have a grand plan. I was called to the bar in 1980 in the midst of a rather large recession, which continued for quite a few years. In those days, there was no e-mail, no internet, no computers. You mailed your application for a job and you waited for the call. It was a long process. I applied and applied. I had worked as a summer student at Ontario Hydro starting back in 1973 and I knew the internal application system. I said, "Well, I've got to do something, I can't sit at home". So I went and I got a job in the typing pool. It was the lowest grade in the company. I started to apply on the internal system to advance. That's how it all started. I truly worked my way from the bottom, but I never, ever aspired to be the CEO.

HARRIS >> I did not have a grand plan. I wanted to do something where I would stay challenged and have fun. Most people would have to be challenged to have fun, because if you're not being challenged or you're not learning something new, the fun wears out after a while. The other thing about working your way to the top is having unique skill sets. Part of that was my law degree. In investment banking, people come from very different backgrounds and it's more prevalent in the U.S. than it is up here to find lawyers doing investment banking. But, it makes a differentiating skill set. I would not have got in without it.

TAYLOR >> No grand plan. Just a lot of steady determination and a real focus on building relationships across many stakeholder groups. A strong personal value system – instilled by my parents – was a great asset, too. I was always ready to take on new opportunities, allowing my job to expand with each new area of responsibility. It may not have been planned or pre-ordained, but I look back now and I can see that every time I joined something – a club, a team, a company – I ended up either trying to run it or running it. I have always had a natural desire to lead and, ultimately because I kept doing it, I got pretty good at it.

What are the social expectations of how women should behave in business? Did you conform to these expectations or push the boundaries of these social envelopes?

FORMUSA >> I've heard a lot about social expectations — you have to behave in a certain way, you can't be too pushy because then you're not considered a nice person. I'm in a male-dominated field of engineering, and I've never really felt any social expectations of women that are different from those of men. I've been very fortunate, and it says a lot about the people I have worked with over the years.

**HARRIS** >> My initial reaction was that the expectations aren't really any different because the expectations have always been that everybody acts professionally. Over my 29 years, I've noticed, if anything, there's a higher expectation that men act more professionally than they used to. There's been a huge change in our business and in our clients' businesses as to what acceptable behaviour is. We do a lot of socializing with clients. Early in my career, we might have gone out to dinner with a client and there would have been a lot of men there, and

# Hennick Medal for Royal Mail's Moya Greene



Moya Greene '78, CEO of the Royal Mail Group, former CEO of Canada Post and recipient of the 2012 Hennick Medal for Career Achievement, had Osgoode students hanging on her every word. "I think like a lawyer," said Greene leaning into the

Stikeman Elliott LLP boardroom table around which the students were seated. "I can always understand what people are telling me - even if I think it's daft."

Greene applied to Osgoode in the 70s on a whim that was partly motivated by friendly sibling rivalry. She didn't want her sister, who was thinking of going to law school, to get ahead of her. "It turned out to be the single most important thing I did," said the Newfoundland native. A career in business "requires a way of thinking and organizing yourself that law prepares you to do."

Greene spoke to the students on Nov. 9, 2012 prior to being presented with the Hennick Medal at a reception in Toronto hosted by TD Bank Group. Wayne Wouters, Clerk of the Privy Council; Mark R. Daniels, Past President, Canadian Life and Health Insurance Association; Steve Halliday, Managing Director, Debt Capital Markets, TD Securities; James Roche, Managing Partner, True North Public Affairs: Jav Hennick. Founder and CEO, FirstService Corporation; Professor Ed Waitzer, Director of the Hennick Centre for Business and Law at Osgoode and the Schulich School of Business: and Mamdouh Shoukri, President and Vice-Chancellor of York University, were among the individuals who paid tribute to Greene at the event.

Earlier in the day, Greene told the students that she has been fortunate throughout her career – which included executive positions in several federal ministries as well as senior positions at TD Securities Inc., Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce and Bombardier Inc. - to have a group of people around her who know her, value her and are always "in my court".

"If you want a great career, you have to pay attention to it," said Greene, who is a member of the Board of Directors for Royal Mail Group Limited and Tim Hortons Inc. "You have to get lots of people on your team."

they might have gone off and done something else. People don't do that anymore. Corporations, generally, don't see that as acceptable behaviour. There are more women working at those corporations, so any activity outside of work has to be inclusive or you don't do it.

**TAYLOR** >> As the first woman to ever receive the Corporate Hotelier of the World award in its more than 30-year history, there is no question that I had to push a few boundaries. But the whole point of being a woman in business is to bring the special characteristics that only women can bring. It's the thought diversity that actually drives the benefit of women in business, combining women's thinking with men's thinking to create better results. When I began in law in the 80s, the notion was that for women to succeed they needed to be the same as men. I think that's come full circle and everyone recognizes that it's exactly the opposite. For women to be successful in business, they have to bring something of greater or different value.

### What does it take to succeed?

FORMUSA >> You have to work hard and you have to have a value system. I've never articulated it this way, but I was authentic. What you see is what you get. I did not behave differently when I took on this job and I did not change. If



a job requires you to change your fundamental beliefs or core values, that's not the job for you.

HARRIS >> I think it takes a lot of energy and willingness to continue to learn. The most important thing about energy – and I actually learned this in New York more than I learned it up here because the speed of business is faster there – you have to exercise. Absolutely have to exercise. I've changed my pattern now that my children are older, but I used to exercise every morning at 6am. When I'm in Toronto, I go to a gym that's within a five-minute drive of my house.

**TAYLOR** >> A lot of things. The first thing I tell people is to be successful you have to love whatever you're doing. If you don't love it, move on because I don't think you can be great at things in life unless you truly love them. Everybody talks about hard work and determination -I think that's huge. But, I think the real key is learning to work with people. I have always had an unwavering focus on teamwork and the strength that you get from personal relationships – always believing that not one of us is as good as all of us.

### What's the most difficult issue you've had to deal with in your current job?

**FORMUSA** >> Employee safety. Our employees work in inherently dangerous environments. We spend a lot of time and focus on the importance of personal safety and looking out for your co-workers. It's something that we constantly need to reinforce. It's about life and death.

HARRIS >> I call it the grey area, and it's related to ethical positions. Because we're a very big bank, you can end up taking on an assignment or contemplate taking on an assignment to advise somebody and find out that there may be a potential conflict. Then the question is should you advise the buyer or not advise the buyer? My favourite way of resolving what I call these grey areas is to sit down, and if we spend more than 15 or 30 minutes talking about it, then we shouldn't do it. Generally, if you have all of the facts in front of you, you should be able to tell if you're ok or not in that period of time.

**TAYLOR** >> Whether it be about fit, performance or any other dynamic, people issues are always the hardest things to deal with in any business. Managing people – as well as teamwork and collaboration issues – is always going to be the most complicated part of the top job.

### Tell me one thing about yourself that most people don't know.

**FORMUSA** >> I really like to work with my hands. I like to refinish wood furniture. I'd like to get better at doing that. I also do a lot of needlework.

**HARRIS** >> I'm a road cyclist in training. I took up road cycling four years ago and I bike every year in the Princess Margaret Hospital Foundation's 200-km ride to raise money for cancer research.

 $\mbox{TAYLOR} >> I$  bet there isn't anything. People tell me that I am very, very authentic and transparent.

### What's one of your best memories of Osgoode?

**FORMUSA** >> Mock Trial. That was a lot of fun. We had some wonderful singers when I was there, including Bora and the Supremes, a barbershop quartet. They called themselves the Negligents eventually and performed at our 25th anniversary reunion. They were very talented.

**HARRIS** >> The wonderful people I met, including some of the professors that I still keep in touch with, such as Bill Braithwaite.

**TAYLOR** >> Playing flag football on the front lawn. My team often let me play quarterback, which was unique for a woman back then.

Virginia Corner is Osgoode's Communications Manager.

# Law Foundation of Ontario

# Advancing Experiential Leadership

wo recent advancements in experiential learning at Osgoode Hall Law School have something noteworthy in common.

Both a recently approved disability law clinical program and a directed research course on homelessness, being offered in the winter term, were made possible by Community Leadership in Justice (CLJ) Fellowships from the Law Foundation of Ontario.

The Foundation receives the interest earned on lawyers' and paralegals' mixed trust accounts. After directing 75 per cent of net revenues to Legal Aid Ontario (as required by law), the Foundation makes diverse grants to improve access to justice and to promote professional excellence and public interest law.

The Foundation's CLJ Fellowships are designed to build bridges between academia and community agencies by placing leading field practitioners in temporary residence at universities and community colleges.

Marian MacGregor's Fellowship enabled her to step away from day-to-day demands as executive director of the Community and Legal Aid Services Program (CLASP – Osgoode's student legal aid clinic) to design the new disability law clinical program. And Tracy Heffernan, a program director at the Advocacy Centre for Tenants Ontario, is in residence at Osgoode now, undertaking teaching, research and other related activities.

"Both initiatives will improve access to justice, which is at the heart of our priorities," says Foundation CEO Elizabeth Goldberg, herself an Osgoode graduate. "Osgoode's experiential focus is a good fit for us because it weaves practical experience into the study of law in a very meaningful way."

"These two fellowships reflect our desire to enrich legal education.
They're giving students the opportunity to learn practical skills and to explore how social and legal issues interconnect in Osgoode's own backyard," Goldberg adds. "And in the long-term, they will build capacity at local community agencies."

The Foundation's support for experiential learning at Osgoode is long-standing, and includes other activities and fellowships.

Michele Leering of the Community
Advocacy and Legal Centre in
Belleville, Ont., was also a CLJ
Fellow at Osgoode. Her 2008 – 09
work on reflective learning – a means
of combining theoretical and practical
education – contributed to recently
implemented curriculum reforms.

Foundation funding helped make possible the pioneering introduction in 2007 of the Osgoode Public Interest Requirement by supporting the design of the new program. The Foundation provides regular annual grants to all Ontario law schools (and has done so since it started

grantmaking in 1975). Portions of Osgoode's grant, which was \$400,000 in 2012–13, have supported specific aspects of experiential learning, such as high-school outreach and competitive mooting.

The Foundation also funds non-profit organizations to promote access to justice in Ontario through law schools. This includes Pro Bono Students Canada, the Ontario Justice Education Network and Law in Action Within Schools, which are among Osgoode's partners in programs combining experiential learning and community service.

"The Law Foundation's mandate is well aligned with many of the objectives of experiential learning," says Dean Lorne Sossin. "Its support has been invaluable in helping us better integrate experiential learning into our curriculum, and expand the range of opportunities and impacts."

And for alumni in private practice in Ontario – whose mixed trust account interest is the source of Foundation grants – it's one more point of ongoing connection to the continual improvement of legal education at Osgoode.

For more information on the Law Foundation of Ontario, visit: lawfoundation.on.ca

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# Shifting the Discourse

How Osgoode Professors are Influencing Public Policy

by Virginia Corner

Osgoode professors' efforts to inform public policy debates in areas such as the immigration and refugee sector, toxic chemicals management, homelessness, and intellectual property and technology law are garnering considerable attention and influencing policy-making in powerful ways.

When Osgoode Professor Sean Rehaag, who specializes in refugee law, stands before a Parliamentary Committee and insists that immigration consultants should not be involved in the refugee determination process – or when he releases a research paper calling for greater fairness and consistency in the judicial review of negative refugee determinations in Canada's Federal Court – he is attempting to influence public policy.

Rehaag's research on the ability of refugee claimants to access the Federal Court looked at outcomes in more than 20,000 applications for judicial review. It showed that whether or not refugee claimants receive leave to judicially review negative refugee determinations hinged in large part on which Federal Court judge decides the application. The research – and the media attention it attracted – also led to discussions at the Federal Court about mechanisms to enhance consistency.

"Simply getting these discussions going, is in my view, a success, as these discussions are a necessary precursor to policy change," Rehaag says. "I want to influence public policy in this area to enhance the rights of non-citizens, because I think current decision-making processes in this area are inadequate. They're legally problematic and they're morally wrong. I want to use the privileges I enjoy as a faculty member at one of Canada's leading law schools to help improve these processes."

The two main ways Rehaag attempts to influence policy are also employed by other Osgoode professors. First, through their academic research they try to provide stakeholders such as parliamentarians, NGOs, lawyers, courts and administrative decision-makers with reliable information about existing policies and policy options. Second, they engage directly with law reform processes and public debates to advocate for their preferred policy outcomes. For example, they appear before Parliamentary Committees, write pieces in the media, work with advocacy organizations and support lawyers litigating test cases.

As Director of the National Network on Environments and Women's Health (NNEWH), Osgoode Professor Dayna Scott is working across disciplines, with natural scientists and social scientists, to construct a coherent picture of the policy issues in environmental health, along with their gender dimensions.

At the moment, the NNEWH is trying to influence public policy in the area of toxic chemicals management. "Through the application of sex- and gender-based analysis, we have highlighted the various ways that current federal risk assessment protocols for determining the toxicity of chemical substances on the market in Canada systematically underestimate the risks to women," Scott says.

The NNEWH is also trying to make it clear that the regulatory trajectory we are on in Canada – which leans away from bans and prohibitions and favours industry self-regulation and the empowerment of consumers through solutions like toxicity labelling – is adding to women's work as they engage in 'green' shopping practices to compensate for a broken regulatory system.

Scott acknowledges that the policy problems the NNEWH is trying to address are complex, multi-dimensional and multi-jurisdictional, and will not be solved overnight. "Our strategy is to offer critical analysis that can continually chip away at the faulty logic, so as to undermine its stability over time."

Osgoode Professor Janet Mosher is a member of the Canadian Homeless Research Network (CHRN), which brings researchers from across the country together with service providers, policy makers and those directly affected by homelessness. Funded through grants from the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (SSHRC) and the Homelessness Partnering Strategy, the central objective of the Network is to move research into action to address Canada's homelessness crisis.

"This requires establishing connections to and between policy makers at all levels of government, frontline service providers, those directly affected by homelessness and the broader public," says Mosher, noting that one of the CHRN's key undertakings has been the creation of homelesshub.ca, the world's largest repository of homelessness research.

In terms of impacting public policy, Mosher says having policy makers as partners within the CHRN is critical. "This helps to ensure that researchers have a better understanding of the questions policy makers are seeking answers to."

Changing policy also "requires a well-informed and engaged public, who in turn, hold politicians accountable," says Mosher. She has helped to educate others by doing things such as teaching a course about homelessness issues to high school students and contributing an expert affidavit to a constitutional challenge presently before the courts that seeks recognition of a right to housing.



# OSGOODE KNOWLEDGE

Giuseppina D'Agostino is the Founder and Director of IP Osgoode, one of Canada's top intellectual property and technology law programs, and its leading blog IPilogue. She is also the author of several publications on IP, cited by the Supreme Court of Canada, and principal investigator on a number of SSHRC-funded research projects dealing with Canada's innovation and IP policy. She testified before Parliament on the latest round of copyright reform, and her work has also been recognized by foreign governments.

"One of IP Osgoode's main objectives is to fill voids in public policy debates on IP and related technology law issues, and ensure balance in policy and law-making processes," D'Agostino says. "We attempt to accomplish this objective by providing balanced and objective research, offering new and unexplored viewpoints to public policy discussions, which are inclusive of the opinions and interests of a broad range of IP stakeholders and, ultimately, acting as facilitator for the flourishing of a knowledge-based society in Canada."



From left, Osgoode Professors Sean Rehaag, Giuseppina D'Agostino, Janet Mosher and Dayna Scott.

D'Agostino believes that public policy often starts from the grassroots and she points to the collaboration she forged with the Ontario Centres of Excellence's Centre for Commercialization Research and Torys LLP to establish an Innovation Clinic. Through this clinic, IP Osgoode students help innovators with their IP-related needs to get

their ideas to market. These clients would not otherwise have the resources to hire legal counsel and too often become disillusioned by Canada's commercialization process, she says.

### OSGOODE HALL LAW SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION



Alumni are invited to attend the Osgoode Hall Law School Alumni Association Annual General Meeting on **Wednesday**, **May 15**, from 5:30-6pm in the Portrait Room of Osgoode Hall, 130 Queen St. W, Toronto.

POSITIVE RSVPS APPRECIATED

Contact the Osgoode Alumni Office at 416-736-5638 or alumni@osgoode.yorku.ca to obtain a copy of the agenda

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING NOTICE



### **HOW TIME FLIES**

On Feb. 7, 2013, the Law School held a symposium to honour the work and many achievements of Professor John McCamus. He is a distinguished scholar in the area of restitution and contracts who also has a significant record of contribution to law reform. McCamus began his legendary career at Osgoode in 1971 and, 42 years later, is as vital a member of the Law School's community as ever. In addition to serving as Dean of the Law School from 1982 to 1987, he was Chair of the Ontario Law Reform Commission from 1993 to 1996 and Chair of the Ontario Legal Aid Review, an independent task force established to examine the legal aid system in Ontario, from 1996



to 1997. He is currently the Chair of Legal Aid Ontario, the Chair of the Canadian Civil Liberties Association, Ombudsperson for York University, and an affiliated scholar with Davies Ward Phillips & Vineberg LLP.

# PATRICK MONAHAN NEW DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL OF ONTARIO



After an accomplished 30-year career at Osgoode Hall Law School and York University, Patrick Monahan '80 became the new deputy attorney general of Ontario on Nov. 26, 2012. Monahan made many significant and notable contributions to the Law School over the years including spearheading the fundraising campaign for

the School's new building, which opened in 2011. He joined the Osgoode faculty in 1982. He served from 1990 to 1993 and from 1995 to 2002 as director of the York University Centre for Public Law and Public Policy at Osgoode. He was appointed Associate Dean of Osgoode and then Dean, a position he held from 2003 to 2009. Over the past three years, he was York's vice-president academic & provost. Monahan's guidance and advice have been appreciated and we wish him all the best as he takes on this new role.

# PROFESSORS HOGG AND MOSSMAN RECOGNIZED AS AGENTS OF CHANGE

Congratulations to Professor Mary Jane Mossman and Professor Emeritus Peter W. Hogg who, along with York University Chancellor R. Roy McMurtry '58, '91 (LLD) and 10 other alumni, were among the winners of 2012 Lexpert Zenith Awards. The awards honour lawyers who have been change-agents for 40 or more years. The Osgoode alumni who were honoured at the event were: Donald Carr '51, James R. Caskey '61, Earl A. Cherniak '60, Douglas S. Ewens '69, Roy C. Filion '68, Paul J. Pape '69, C. Scott Ritchie '65, Janet Stewart '67, Harvey T. Strosberg '69 and James M. Tory '54.







# WELCOME TO FOUR NEW FULL-TIME FACULTY



### Andrée Boisselle

BCL, LLB (McGill), LLM (Université de Montréal), PhD candidate (University of Victoria) Andrée Boisselle joined the faculty on Jan. 1, 2013. Her research interests are in the areas of indigenous law, comparative and constitutional law, pluralism and postcolonial legal theory. She is currently completing her doctorate at the University of Victoria Faculty of Law. Her doctoral research on Stó:lõ constitutionalism and the Coast Salish legal tradition has been supported by scholarships from the Trudeau Foundation and the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada. Her master's thesis critically examined the development of the duty to consult First Nations in Canadian law. It received the Quebec Association of Law Professors Prize in 2008. Before pursuing graduate studies, she practised litigation in Quebec with McCarthy Tétrault LLP and did contractual work with the Supreme Court of Canada.



# **Philip Girard**

BA (Brock), LLB (McGill), LLM (University of California at Berkeley), PhD (Dalhousie)

Philip Girard is one of Canada's most distinguished and pre-eminent legal academics and legal historians, with a long list of publications to his name. He will be stepping down as University Research Professor, and Professor of Law, History & Canadian Studies at Schulich School of Law, Dalhousie University, to join Osgoode this July. He has been twice appointed the James Lewtas Visiting Professor at Osgoode (1993-94; 2011-12). At Dalhousie, he has served as the Law School's Acting Dean (1991-93) and Associate Dean, Graduate Studies and Research (2002-06). In 2010-11, he was Visiting Scholar, Centre for Criminology & Sociolegal Studies, University of Toronto. Recently, he has served as Chair, Law, Criminology & Socio-legal Studies Adjudication Committee, Social Sciences & Humanities Research Council of Canada (2008-11). He has also served as President, Canadian Association of Law Teachers (2003-04). In 2011, he was made an honorary fellow of the American Society for Legal History, the first Canadian to be so recognized. He is a member of the bar of Nova Scotia.



# Hengameh Saberi

LLB (Tehran), LLM (Tehran), LLM (McGill), SJD (Harvard)

Hengameh Saberi's main areas of interest are international law, international legal theory and history, jurisprudence, disability law and human rights, philosophy of pragmatism, and Islamic political and legal thought. She joined Osgoode on July 1, 2012, having previously taught at Brown University, University of Tennessee College of Law, Boston University School of Law and Harvard University. She was a Postdoctoral Fellow jointly at Harvard Law School's Institute for Global Law and Policy and the Harvard Law School Project on Disability.



# **Cynthia Williams**

BA (University of California at Berkeley), JD (New York University)

Cynthia Williams will be rejoining Osgoode this July as the Osler Chair in Business Law, having served as the inaugural Osler Chair from 2007-09. She is currently a Professor of Law at the University of Illinois College of Law. After clerking for Federal District Court Judge Milton Schwartz (Eastern District of California), she practised law for five years at Cravath, Swaine & Moore in New York City. The author of numerous publications including the third edition of her casebook, Business Organizations: Cases, Problems and Case Studies, co-authored with Professor Gordon Smith, Williams writes in the areas of securities law, corporate law, corporate responsibility, comparative corporate governance and regulatory theory, often in interdisciplinary collaborations with professors in anthropology, economic sociology, and organizational psychology. She has lectured and taught all over the world. Williams also engages in policy work through her board membership in the Network for Sustainable Financial Markets, a think-tank of academics and financial market participants, and the Climate Bonds Initiative, an NGO established to create a new asset class, Climate Bonds, to finance the transition to a low-carbon economy.





Professor Faisal Bhabha, recipient of the 2012 South Asian Bar Association award for Male Practitioner of the Year.

# CLASS NOTES

# 1950s

## John Arthur Geller '55

has retired from Fasken Martineau.

Roy McMurtry '58, 91 (LLD) was awarded the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal. The medals are presented to celebrate the tremendous achievements and contributions Canadians have made to their country.

Robert Pirie '58 has retired from legal practice.

Ron Webb '59 was awarded the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal.

# 1960s



James Clarke '60 has written a new memoir, The Kid from Simcoe Street. The University of Western Virginia Law School is publishing a volume of Clarke's poems and essays under their Legal Studies Forum program, which will be incorporated into their curriculum and be made available to all American law schools

Jonathan Cohen '69, senior partner at Shapiro Cohen, recently obtained approval by the Federal Court for the first sound mark in Canada for the MGM lion's roar. He is a former Director on the Boards of ICANN and CIRA, and an expert in trademark and domain name matters.

# 1970s

### Russell Juriansz '72, an

Ontario Court of Appeal judge, won the 2012 South Asian Bar Association (SABA) of Toronto's Distinguished Career Award.

Chin Tack Han '74 is proud to announce he has a new grandson, Quinn, who was born in April 2011.



Adrian Hill

Adrian Hill '74 wrote a national position paper on assisted death and suicide prevention for the Canadian Association for Suicide Prevention and presented it for peer review at the CASP conference in October 2012.



Gary Joseph

Gary Joseph '76, managing partner with MacDonald & Partners LLP, has coauthored the first family law arbitration book in Canada entitled Family Law Arbitration in Canada.

# Patrick Anderson '79 and Megan MacKeigan '11 have

opened a new firm, Anderson MacKeigan LLP, which is located in downtown Toronto and specializes in commercial real estate, corporate, commercial, wills and estates.

# David Lepofsky '79 was

awarded the Queen Elizabeth II
Diamond Jubilee Medal. The medals are
presented to celebrate the tremendous
achievements and contributions
Canadians have made to their country.

# 1980s



Carol Pasternak

Carol Pasternak '80 has written a book, How To Raise Monarch Butterflies: A Step by Step Guide For Kids, that was recently published by Firefly Books. It is a new life for Carol, speaking, writing, and posting to her Facebook page: The Monarch Butterfly Crusader.

Nigel Howcroft '83 and his wife have relocated to Port Stanley, Ont., a fishing village on Lake Erie, after 12 years in Bermuda and five in London, Ont. They are retired but very active. Contact him through Facebook.

Darlene Madott '83 has written a short story, Waiting: An Almost Love Story, that was shortlisted for the 2012 Vanderbilt/Exile Carter Cooper Short Fiction Award.

William I. Innes '87 was appointed counsel for Rueter Scargall Bennett LLP.

# Bruce Munro Wright '87

was selected by the Board of Trustees of the Vancouver Art Gallery as the organization's new Board Chair.

Irving André '88, a judge of the Ontario Court of Justice in Brampton, Ont., was appointed a judge of the Superior Court of Justice on Nov. 2, 2012.



Wendy Hulton '88 has moved her product regulatory practice from Miller Thomson LLP to Dickinson Wright LLP.



Mona Klinger

Mona Klinger '88 has been working as counsel at the Department of Justice for more than 20 years and has joined the National eDiscovery and Litigation Support Services unit.

# 1990s

**Gina Alexandris '91** has been appointed Director of Strategic Planning & Knowledge Management/TPS for the Ministry of the Attorney General of Ontario.



Kenda Gee

Kenda Gee '91 has produced and directed a documentary, Lost Years, which has been nominated for the 2012 Yorkton Film Festival Award (Multicultural). The documentary premiered nationally on CBC Television's "Absolutely Canadian!" as a two-part mini-series in February and March of 2012.

### Deborah Graham '91

a collaborative family lawyer and mediator in Toronto, is publishing her first book, Dance Me Beautiful, an inspiring story of her journey to her inner passion and creativity through learning ballroom dancing.

E. Ria Tzimas '91, a Crown attorney with the Ministry of the Attorney General in Toronto, was appointed a judge of the Superior Court of Justice in Brampton, Ont.

### Victoria Chiappetta '93

a lawyer with Essar Steel Algoma Inc. in Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., was appointed a judge of the Superior Court of Justice (Toronto), on Nov. 2, 2012.

Hualing Fu '93 (DJur), a professor at the Faculty of Law of The University of Hong Kong, has co-edited Liu Xiaobo, Charter 08 and the Challenges of Political Reform in China. It has been described as a series of deeply informed essays that offer a wide-ranging analysis of the many meanings of Charter 08 and Liu Xiaobo's trial.

A. Kabir Ahmed '94, '00 (MBA), '09 (LLM) successfully completed a second Master of Laws (LLM) degree in May 2012 – this time at Cornell University Law School, and focused on courses in U.S. securities regulation, financial institutions and corporate governance.



Albert Dell'Apa

Albert Dell'Apa '94 lives and works in Toronto where he is head of Custody & Funds Legal Services with RBC Dexia Investor Services. He has written his first novel, How to Win a Chestnut Fight. Canadian Living magazine said "Dell'Apa's fresh voice brings a family to life in this poignant, humourous and endearing novel."

**Erin Kuzz '95** is a founding partner at Sherrard Kuzz LLP, which was named one of Canada's Top Ten Labour and Employment Boutiques by Canadian Lawyer magazine in January 2012.

Lionel Perez '95 was first elected in 2009 as Municipal City Councillor in the City of Montréal. He is currently Vice-President to the Commission of Examination of Contracts. On November 22nd 2012, he was elected by acclamation as Borough Mayor of Côte-des-Neiges-Notre-Dame-de-Grâce. Prior to entering municipal politics, Lionel specialized in corporate law and was co-founder of CorporationCentre.ca, Canada's leading online legal document.

Christine Healy'96 has moved to Houston with her husband, Craig Young, and two children, Evan and Garrett. She is now Vice President, Commercial and Negotiations for Statoil in North America.

**Shalini Konanur '98** won the 2012 South Asian Bar Association (SABA) of Toronto's Female Practitioner of the Year Award.

Rodger Sadler '98 recently joined Canon USA as Patent Litigation Counsel. Rodger and his wife Andrea Reinke '98 live in Pelham, New York with their three children, Siobhan, Isabelle and Emmett. Any friends and former classmates from Osgoode who are visiting New York should get in touch.

James Pierlot '99, '05 (LLM) co-authored Legal for Life: Why Canadians Need a Lifetime Retirement Saving Limit which was awarded the 2012 John Hanson Memorial Prize from the Actuarial Foundation.

# CASSINOTES

# 2000s



Andy Chan

Andy Chan '00, a partner at Miller Thomson LLP, was awarded the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal and was the recipient of the 2012 Lexpert Rising Star Award for Leading Lawyers Under 40.

David Hanick '00 was appointed Vice President Corporate Development and General Counsel at Starlight Investments Ltd.



Dan Giantsopoulos

Dan Giantsopoulos '01 of Richmond Hill, Ont., a partner at Blaney McMurtry LLP, is the head coach of a 1999 AAA Rep Travel Baseball team. He is the Rep Convenor for the Richmond Hill Phoenix Baseball Club and coorganizer for the Green & Gold Classic Baseball Tournament that ran its third season this year.

Naomi Zener '02 has been practising entertainment, corporate/ commercial and intellectual property law in Ontario since 2004 and was called to the State Bar of California in 2008. She is a Senior Manager at Channel Zero, North American television broadcaster, providing business affairs, legal advice and strategic guidance. In the summer of 2012 Naomi launched a fiction blog: satiricalmama.blogspot.com, where she posts her satirical short stories and poetry. As well, Naomi has written four books for which she is seeking publication. She resides in Toronto with her husband, Evan Berman, and the happiest one-year- old baby girl on the planet.

Gerry Nera '03 (LLM) was appointed as Director, ADR Directorate of the Canadian Transportation Agency, a federal quasi-judicial administrative tribunal. He is responsible for the delivery of mediation and arbitration programs to carriers and users of the transportation network under federal jurisdiction.

Ryan Teschner '05, a lawyer at Heenan Blaikie, was recognized for his role as the lead Review Counsel to the Honourable John W. Morden in the Independent Civilian Review Concerning Matters Relating to the G-20 Summit. The final report of the review was released to the Toronto Police Services Board and the public on June 29, 2012.

Faisal Kutty '06 (LLM) was put on tenure track at Valparaiso University School of Law in Indiana effective August 2012. Faisal is also an adjunct professor at Osgoode. Amer Mushtaq '06 practises employment and human rights law in Toronto. He started his solo practice in February 2009 and has never looked back. He frequently speaks at various forums about starting a solo practice and is also happy to share his thoughts informally with Osgoode students and alumni

Paul Jonathan Saguil '07 is Counsel in the Legal Department of TD Bank.

Kathryn L. Smithen '08 is a sole practitioner in Toronto. She practises matrimonial law, including claims for custody/access, property division and support enforcement.



Ashley Butts '12 has started an image consulting business called Ashley Jane, geared towards personal branding, styling and professionalism.

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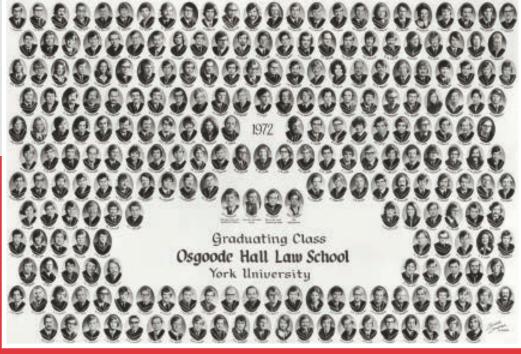
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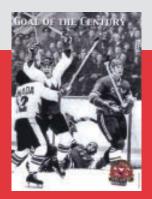
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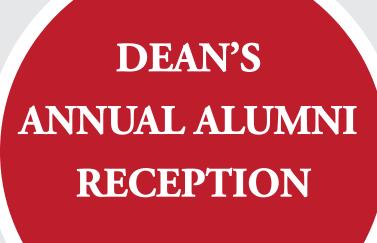
landmark year. At Osgoode, from the first students building Parkdale and CLASP to the birth of Canada's first LLB/MBA joint program, 1972 represented a harbinger of change at Osgoode and in legal education.











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